

Superior Court Law Library Privacy Policy

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for visiting the Superior Court Law Library Web sites.

The Law Library, a department of the Superior Court in Maricopa County, is a public law library. The purpose of this privacy policy statement is to inform you about the information and services provided on our sites, any information about you that may be collected during your visit, how any information is used, disclosure of that information and your options in providing information. This statement is intended to comply with A.R.S. §§ [41-4151](#) and [41-4152](#).

This policy applies to U.S. residents, and applies only to use of the Library's primary web site: <http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/lawlibrary/>; and to Horizon Information Portal, the Library's Web-based catalog: <http://lawlibrary.maricopa.gov/ipac20/ipac.jsp?profile=remote#focus>.

This policy applies only to your use of our Web sites. It does not apply to other Law Library services that you may use (such as in-person visits or telephone calls).

The Library's Web sites include links to various other resources, sites and services. This policy does not apply to any other Web sites that you may use during your visit.

INFORMATION AND SERVICES PROVIDED ON OUR SITES.

Our Web sites generally offer the following information and services:

- ☐ Information about the Law Library, such as a guide to services and resources, locations and hours, policies, and directory of staff contacts.
- ☐ Bibliographies, research guides, current awareness publications and

newsletters prepared by Library staff.

- ☐ Forms and e-mail links, which you may use to send information requests to Library staff.
- ☐ The Library's Web-based catalog.
- ☐ Links to third-party research databases that the Library subscribes to.
- ☐ Links to other Web sites that provide useful information.

The Library's Web sites are intended for informational purposes and your research needs only. Nothing on our sites may be considered as legal advice or as creating an attorney-client relationship.

Access to most of the Library's third-party research databases requires that you have a valid Law Library account.

INFORMATION THE LIBRARY OBTAINS FROM YOU.

Horizon Information Portal. The Library's Web-based online catalog system automatically creates and stores transaction logs. Transaction logs may include the following information:

- ☐ The Internet Protocol address and domain name you used.
- ☐ The date and time you visited our sites and the duration of your visit.
- ☐ The web pages or services you accessed.
- ☐ The web site you were at prior to visiting our web site.
- ☐ Any forms or requests that you may have submitted.

Information collected does not include your e-mail address, unless you choose to provide it as explained below.

Cookies. Neither the Library's primary Web site, the Library's Web-based online catalog, nor the remote login component of the Web-based online catalog employ cookies.

The Library provides access to third party commercial and public databases, some of which do require the use of cookies. The use of cookies for third party databases is governed by the database provider's requirements and policies.

Personal Information. The following transactions may require that you provide personal information to us:

- ☐ Forms. The Library's Web sites provide forms by which you may ask us questions or request information from us. Forms may collect personal information such as your name, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, fax number, and any other information you choose to give us to help us answer your request, so that we may respond to your request or contact you for follow-up.
- ☐ E-mail. The Library's Web sites provide e-mail links by which you may ask us questions or request information from us. E-mails may collect personal information such as your name, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, fax number, and any other information you choose to give us to help us answer your request, so that we may respond to your request or contact you for follow-up.

- ❑ **Horizon Information Portal.** To utilize the “e-mail a book list” option on the catalog search, visitors must provide an e-mail address.

COLLECTION OF INFORMATION BY OTHER ENTITIES FROM OUR WEB SITES.

The Library’s primary Web site (<http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/lawlibrary/>) is hosted by the Superior Court’s Court Technology Services. Except as specifically stated in this policy, any information collected by Court Technology Services is collected and used subject to the Superior Court’s policies and practices, and this policy is not applicable.

HOW WE USE INFORMATION.

The Library’s Primary Web Site. The Library periodically receives from the Superior Court’s Court Technology Services summary reports of collected information and statistics (such as users’ Internet Protocol addresses and domains, web pages or services accessed, browser type, operating system, site usage by time and date accessed, browser and server errors, invalid links, etc.). These reports do not personally identify users. The information is used to help us correct errors, to better understand how our sites are being used and how they can be improved, and to generate usage statistics.

Horizon Information Portal. Transaction logs are periodically deleted automatically by the system. Library staff may copy and examine transaction logs prior to their deletion, to better understand the types of searches being performed and search results success, and to generate statistics. Transaction log copies are then deleted.

Form or E-Mail Requests Placed From Our Web Sites. Your requests, and our responses to you, are retained and stored for a period of time necessary to fully respond to your requests and to compile statistics. Statistics may include the number of requests, the number of responses that included attached documents, and general user categories (such as citizen, attorney, etc.). The text of some requests, excluding all personally identifying information, may be retained to be used for staff training and evaluation. Thereafter, both your requests and our responses to you are deleted.

Automatically Collected Information. Library staff makes no attempts to use personal information in order to track personal usage habits, or to personally identify individual users from automatically collected information.

Additional Communications. Except as stated above, any personal information you provide through our Web sites will only be used by the Library for the purposes for which you provided it. The Library does not use your information to provide other communications (such as newsletters) unless you request those communications.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO OTHER ENTITIES OR PERSONS.

The Library does not sell, rent or lease information collected from our Web sites, whether automatically collected or personal information, to other entities or persons.

The Library does not otherwise disclose information unless required to do so by state or federal law, or when necessary for Library business reasons.

Public Records Law. Under Arizona public records laws, the Library may be required to provide information collected from our Web sites to a third party in certain circumstances.

❑ A.R.S. § [41-1354](#) provides that "Except as provided in subsection B, a library or library system supported by public monies shall not allow disclosure of any record or other information which identifies a user of library services as requesting or obtaining specific materials or services or as otherwise using the library."

❑ [Supreme Court Rule 123](#). Rule 123 generally governs public access to records maintained in the judicial branch of government. Rule 123 provides that all judicial branch administrative records are open to the public, unless an exception is provided. Subsection (e)(7) provides that "Records maintained in any court law library which link a patron's name with materials requested or borrowed by the patron, or which link a patron's name with a specific subject about which the patron has requested information or materials are closed."

Other Law. It is possible that the Library may be required to disclose information to other governmental entities, such as state or federal law enforcement authorities, under the provisions of other laws.

Business Reasons. The Library may allow persons or companies with whom the Library is affiliated or contracted to gain access to Library systems, in order to provide services such as system maintenance, repairs or installations. In the course of performing the required services, such individuals or companies may have access to information pertaining to the use of our Web sites. Such individuals or companies have no right to use that information for any other purposes.

The Library may disclose personally identifying information in certain other circumstances in which disclosure is necessary for effective conduct of Library business. For example, if you send a complaint about Library services by e-mail via our Web sites, we may provide your e-mail to Superior Court management in order to effectively resolve your complaint.

YOUR OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES.

No Library services require the use of our Web sites. If you are uncomfortable with providing personal information to us, you may choose not to complete form-based or e-mail transactions and instead visit or telephone the Library.

You may set your browser to limit or disable the use of cookies. If you do so, some features of our Web-based catalog may not function properly, and you may experience difficulty accessing the third-party databases linked on our sites.

SECURITY MEASURES.

Security and technology standards are applied and enforced by the Library, the

Superior Court and Maricopa County government. Security measures employed to safeguard the integrity of telecommunications and network infrastructures include use of firewalls, authentication, monitoring and auditing. Once received by the Library, any information is subject to the same security measures, for the time during which it is held, applicable to other electronic Library information.

However, we can not ensure complete security and privacy of communications and Web use. In particular, because information sent through our forms and e-mail links is not encrypted, you should not send messages containing information that you consider highly sensitive via our Web sites.

DEFINITIONS.

Personally Identifying Information. Personally identifying information is information that identifies or describes a person, including name, social security number, home address, home telephone number, financial data, and other information that is readily identifiable to a specific person.

Form. In this policy, "form" refers to a web page containing fill-in boxes that you may use to send requests for information to us. The form generates an e-mail to the Library's services e-mail account. The use of "forms" in this policy does not refer to court forms (such as petitions, orders, etc. intended for use in specific court matters) located elsewhere on the Superior Court's Web sites.

Cookie. A cookie is a small file of text data that a Web site may send to your browser, and which may then be stored on your computer. Many Web sites use cookies to store information such as user preferences, user passwords, and other information gathered from the user's visits to the particular site.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND POLICY CHANGES.

This policy was issued and effective as of November 22, 2005.

The Law Library reserves the right to change any part of its privacy policy at any time, without prior notice. Changes will be posted to the Library's primary Web site. Any information collected under the policy prior to any changes will remain subject to the original terms. After the changes are posted, any new information collected will be subject to the revised privacy policy.

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